## **SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 213**

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Robert Carl Sellmer II, 2013 Valedictorian of Northwest High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Robert Sellmer II is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class at Northwest High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Sellmer has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Robert Sellmer II has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, he spent his high school career as an active participant in several clubs and organizations including the National Honor Society, Science National Honor Society, American Chemical Society Chemistry Club, Tennessee Science Bowl Team, U.S. History team, and math team; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sellmer is a leader among his peers; he has worked as the Vice President of the National Honor Society, President of the Science National Honor Society, President of the Chemistry Club, and the leader of the science bowl team; and

WHEREAS, he has received numerous honors such as the District Point of Pride Award for U.S. History and the third place award in Environmental Science at the Middle Tennessee Science and Engineering Fair; and

WHEREAS, Robert plans to attend the University of Tennessee in Knoxville and study engineering; he is the recipient of the Volunteer Scholarship and the College of Engineering Department Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his stellar academic record, Robert has completed volunteer work in his community, lending his helping hand to the soup kitchen, local elementary school children, the American Red Cross blood drive, and the Salvation Army; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sellmer's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Robert's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Jennifer Sellmer and Robert Sellmer, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sellmer's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2013 Northwest High School Valedictorian, Robert Carl Sellmer II, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.